



O-outward Focus (Acts 13:3-4) – ANTIOCH 25th – October 9-10, 2021

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O-outward Focus

Acts 13:3-4

What are some indicators of inward focus?

- People become a bother to you
- Your world shrinks & problems grow
- You think about God very little

How does God describe outward focus?

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:45 NKJV

Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Philippians 2:4 NKJV

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, **Philippians 2:5 NKJV**

For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better.

Philippians 1:23 NKJV

Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you. **Philippians 1:24 NKJV**

How does God describe outward focus?

Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar. **Acts 11:28 NKJV**

Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea.

Acts 11:29 NKJV

As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." **Acts 13:2 NKJV**

Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away. **Acts 13:3 NKJV**

What if we begin to live with Jesus' outward focus?

- People become your divine purpose
- Your world grows & problems shrink
- You think about God often

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NURSERY

GOD KEEPS US SAFE

NOAH'S ARK



We must learn to decide whether to merely follow our own desires or to live in a way that honors God. This month we will help our toddler see from the story of Noah that to choose fellowship with the God who loves them is far better.

Memory Verse: "God keeps us safe." Psalm 4:8 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Keeps Us Safe Because He Loves Us

Parent Engagement: Explore today's craft together. Talk about each animal and its sound as you put it into the ark. Say: "I'm glad that **God keeps us safe. We can be safe in our homes just as Noah was safe in the ark.**" If you don't have today's craft, you can download it from visitgracechurch.com/kids.

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ISRAEL'S LATER KINGS

A FEW GOOD KINGS



After David and Solomon, Israel split into two parts and had a lot of kings. It was a dark time in Israel's history. Most of the kings in this time did not follow God. This month we will learn about a few of the good kings that loved God!

Memory Verse: "No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us." Romans 8:37

Heart of the Lesson: Trust God; Praise God - King Jehoshaphat's Praise - 2 Chronicles 20

Parent Engagement: Play some preschool worship songs. Say: **Just like Jehoshaphat praised God, we can praise God, too. Let's use our microphone and sing together or tell Jesus what we love about Him.**

ELEMENTARY

AntIOCH

DISCOVERING OUR ANTIOCH VALUES



As Grace Church comes up on our 25th anniversary we will explore the 7 ANTIOCH values that Grace adopted from the church of Antioch. In this series, we will see how the Antiochian church lived these values out and how we can do the same in the church and in our lives.

Memory Verse: When he arrived and saw this evidence of God's blessing, he was filled with joy, and he encouraged the believers to stay true to the Lord. Acts 11:23

Heart of the Lesson: What does the O in Antioch mean? - Mark 10:45, Phil 2:4-5, Acts 11:28-29, Acts 13:2-3

Parent Engagement: Read Philippians 2:4-5 then Mark 10:45. Jesus showed us how to serve others. Talk with your kids about something that they could do to serve someone else.

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ANTIOCH SHERLOCK

THE MYSTERY OF THE ANTIOCH VALUES



What are the ANTIOCH values? What do they mean? And why are we learning about them? As we celebrate Grace's 25th anniversary as a whole church, our 5th and 6th graders will have the opportunity to embark on a mystery to discover the ANTIOCH values and how they fit into them. We will be starting our time in Large Group answering clues to discover what the value is for the week. Then, we will go into Small Group discussion to talk about what the value means and how it applies to their lives. We will gather back into Large Group to debrief together.

Memory Verse: When the church at Jerusalem heard what had happened, they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he arrived and saw this evidence of God's blessing, he was filled with joy, and he encouraged the believers to stay true to the Lord. Acts 11:22-23

Heart of the Lesson: What does the O in Antioch mean? - Acts 13:3-4

Parent Engagement: What does it look like to be Outward-Focused? Talk about the difference between being outward-focused instead of only focusing on yourself. Look out for opportunities to share Jesus' love with others!